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## PHOENIX GIVES CITRUS REMOVAL ASSISTANCE TO ARCADIA RESIDENTS

Arcadia neighborhoods hit with a recent infestation of roof rats will be getting help from the city starting today.

Maricopa County Vector Control is recommending that all residents with citrus trees trim and harvest all fruit in order to eradicate the rats, which are feeding off the fruit. The city is providing rolloff bins throughout the affected neighborhoods to collect citrus tree trimmings and fruit. (See attached list of locations.)

An extra trash collection crew has been dedicated to the area full time to collect black alley containers that may also be used to collect fruit. Residents needing a special container pickup can call 602-262-7251.

Starting Sunday, Feb. 17, city bulk trash crews will sweep through the Arcadia area to collect debris in alleys. The collections will take place over several days.

Also, city of Phoenix residents can take their citrus directly to the city's Skunk Creek
Landfill with no landfill fee. Skunk Creek is on Happy Valley Road, just west of Interstate 17.
Residents should bring a recent water bill as proof of city residency.

For any other questions, other than clean-up or trash collection, residents can call Maricopa County Environmental Services at 602-506-6616.

## **ROLLOFF BIN LOCATIONS**

Here's a list of locations of the rolloff bins:

- In alley behind 5236 E. Whitton Ave.
- Southwestern corner of 52<sup>nd</sup> Street and Earll Drive
- On 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, just north of Exeter Boulevard
- Shepherd of Hills Congregational Church, 5538 E. Lafayette Blvd.
- In front of Villa LaFayette Condominiums, 4327 E. Lafayette Blvd.
- Northwestern corner of 54<sup>th</sup> Street and Earll Drive